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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1724, L.D. 1828, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide for the Reregistration of a Motor Vehicle when the Previous Registration has Expired for more than 30 Days."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the amending clause and inserting in its place the following:

'§106. Expiration date

The registration year for all vehicles, except automobiles, newly acquired motor trucks and truck tractors, is < > from March 1st to the last day of February of the next calendar year. On and after February 1st, it is < > lawful to use and display on such vehicles the number plates or suitable devices in lieu thereof issued for the registration year.

1. New motor truck and truck tractor registrations. New motor truck and truck tractor registrations < > expire at the end of the month one year from the month of issuance.

2. Automobile registrations and reregistrations. Automobile registrations and reregistrations shall be in accordance with this subsection.

A. Automobile registrations < > expire annually on the last day of the month, one year from the month of issuance.

B. Except as herein provided, when application for registration of an automobile, motor truck, or truck tractor is made after the registration for the previous year has been expired for more than 30 days, the expiration date of the

renewal shall be at the end of the month, one year from the month of issuance of the previous registration. If the applicant provides satisfactory evidence and certifies in writing to the Secretary of State that the vehicle has not been operated on a public way during the period of the expired registration, the registration expiration date, upon renewal, is at the end of the month one year from the month of issuance of the registration renewal.

C. Any person who has a fleet of 5 or more automobiles, trucks or truck tractors may petition the Secretary of State for a common expiration date of all vehicles in the fleet.

3. Number plates. Number plates or a suitable device in lieu thereof furnished for the next registration period for automobiles, motor trucks and truck tractors may be displayed on the first day of the month in which the current registration expires.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to extend the provisions of the bill to operators of trucks and motor trucks. If a person registers a motor vehicle more than 30 days late, the registration renewal will expire one year from the expiration of the previous registration. If a person is able to prove that the vehicle was not used during the time the registration was expired, the registration renewal will expire at the end of the month one year from the month in which the registration

renewal was issued.

This amendment also permits owners of fleets of 5 or more trucks to petition the secretary of State for a common registration expiration date for all his trucks. Presently, automobile owners are the only motor vehicle owners who have this privilege.

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